

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0020] with the following paragraph:

Each ~~[[The]]~~ gripping flange~~[[s]]~~ includes two facets: a concave inner facet~~[[s]]~~ surface 36 and a convex outer facet~~[[s]]~~ surface 38. The inner facets 36 and the outer facets 38 meet at a facet interface 40 that extends along both gripping flanges 24 and 26 including the junction region 35. As illustrated in Figures 1 and 2, and in accordance with a preferred embodiment of the invention, the concave inner facet surface 36 is offset from the convex outer facet surface 38 to define a stepped relation at the facet interface edge 40. According to one embodiment, the junction region 35 is the meeting point of the inner facets 36 of the first and second gripping flanges 24 and 26, and it adds additional strength to the gripping flanges 24 and 26 tending to keep them from splaying excessively during use. The facet interface 40 is biased against a container inserted into the cavity 12, holding the cup in place. The tendency of the material of the cupholder 10 to maintain its original shape provides frictional force holding an inserted container in place. A bottom end of each of the holding extensions 18, 20, and 22 terminates in a cut-out area 42 that allows the gripping flanges 24 and 26 to move outwardly when a container is inserted into a cavity 12, allowing the cavity to hold different sizes of inserted containers.